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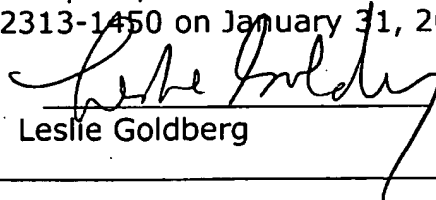
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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

In response to the Final Office Action mailed October 31, 2006, Applicants wish to amend the above-identified Application as presented herein. The listing of claims begins on page two of this paper. The Remarks and Conclusion sections begin on pages 10 and 16, respectively. Claims 1-50 are pending. Claims 14-28, 34-39 and 46-48 have been withdrawn. Claims 1, 5, and 49 are amended. Claim 3 is cancelled and claim 51 is added.